

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NORBERTO ARREDONDO,)	No. CV-F-06-056 REC
)	(No. CR-F-97-CR-5167 OWW)
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Petitioner,)	ORDER DISMISSING SECOND
)	MOTION TO VACATE, SET ASIDE
vs.)	OR CORRECT SENTENCE PURSUANT
)	TO 28 U.S.C. § 2255 AND
)	DIRECTING ENTRY OF JUDGMENT
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	FOR RESPONDENT
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Respondent.)	
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On January 17, 2006, petitioner Norberto Arredondo filed a motion to vacate, set aside or correct sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Petitioner contends that he is entitled to relief because the court imposed sentencing enhancements in violation of United States v. Booker, 543 U.S. 220 (2005).¹

The court hereby dismisses petitioner's motion.

On July 2, 2001, petitioner filed a Section 2255 motion

¹Although the underlying criminal action has been transferred to the docket of Judge Oliver W. Wanger, petitioner's Section 2255 motion was assigned to this court because this court sentenced petitioner.

1 based on Apprendi v. New Jersey, 530 U.S. 466 (2000). See
2 Arrendono v. United States, No. CV-F-01-5851 REC. By Order filed
3 on July 5, 2001, the court denied this Section 2255 motion.
4 Therefore, the instant motion is a second or successive Section
5 2255 motion. Petitioner must first apply to the Ninth Circuit
6 Court of Appeal for leave to file such a motion. In the absence
7 of authorization from the Ninth Circuit, this court does not have
8 jurisdiction to hear it. See United States v. Allen, 157 F.3d
9 661, 664 (9th Cir. 1998).

10 Petitioner, citing McClesky v. Zant, 499 U.S. 467 (1991),
11 argues that the instant motion should not be construed by this
12 court as a "second or successive" motion because his challenge to
13 his sentence under Booker is a new issue that did not exist and
14 could not have been raised at the time he filed his initial
15 Section 2255 motion. However, even if the court assumes
16 petitioner's position is correct, petitioner would not be
17 entitled to relief. Booker is not retroactive to cases on
18 collateral review. United States v. Cruz, 423 F.3d 1119 (9th
19 Cir. 2005).²

20 ACCORDINGLY:

21 1. Petitioner Norberto Arredondo's second motion to vacate,
22 set aside or correct sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255 is
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24 ²Petitioner argues that the court should hold the instant
25 motion in abeyance pending resolution by the Supreme Court of
26 Washington v. Recuenco, No. 05-83. The court denies this request.
The issue before the Supreme Court in Recuenco does not address the
applicability of Booker to cases on collateral review.

1 dismissed.

2 2. The Clerk of the Court is directed to enter judgment for
3 respondent.

4 IT IS SO ORDERED.

5 **Dated: January 23, 2006**
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/s/ Robert E. Coyle
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE